

# Letters to The Editor

## **800, not 950 units, for centre**

Dear Sir,

I write in respect of comments made in two letters published (TWT 13/6).

1. The number of dwellings approved by the NSW Government for the residential segment of the Royal Rehab project is up to 800 - not 950 as claimed. That equals 50 dwellings per hectare.
2. The new recreational facilities will be an integral component of the project and required as part of the community contribution. They will serve both the needs of our clients and interests of members of the local community for decades to come.
3. The Riding for Disabled Association will be relocated, with the assistance of Royal Rehab, to a better, more functional facility, and one that is supported by the association.
4. The residents of Weemala will continue to be supported by Royal Rehab in a range of new purpose-design residential accommodation options that are sensitive to the individual support needs of the residents. This will occur only after concerted consultation with residents and their families.
5. Royal Rehab is funding the redevelopment to build the new state of the art specialised rehabilitation campus that will better serve clients requiring rehabilitation and ongoing disability support services. (There is no government funding for the capital works) Royal Rehab has one asset to provide the funding for these vitally needed modern facilities and services - the land it owns. Funds raised from the sale will pay for the recreational amenities, the new centre and continue to contribute towards the cost of running and updating a 21st century rehabilitation centre.

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